

Level 3 Applied Diploma in Criminology



Exam Board: WJEC

Why Criminology?

This qualification looks at the types of crime that take place within our society. Students will study real life cases to gain an understanding of the criminal justice system from the crime scene all the way to the courtroom and look at how social control is achieved within our society. offering opportunities to learn from practical activities and the expertise of professionals currently working in criminology. It offers exciting and interesting learning experiences in purposeful contexts linked to the criminal justice system. If

Thinking and Life Skills you will develop:

- The ability to complete project-based research, and to present it.
- The ability to collect, analyse and interpret data effectively.
- The ability to construct well-informed and reasoned arguments substantiated by relevant evidence.
- The ability to learn independently.
- The ability to work alongside other colleagues in a professional environment

University degrees that require or often prefer Criminology include:

Criminology, Psychology, Criminology and Policy, Professional Policing, Criminal Justice, Youth Justice and Forensic Psychology.

What will you study?

Criminology comprises of four units in total, two **internally** assessed units and two **externally** assessed units.

Year 1

Unit 1 - Changing Awareness of Crime

A controlled assessment that tests students' ability to apply their knowledge and understanding to a previously unseen crime scenario.

Unit 2 - Criminological Theories - examination that focuses on why people commit crime and includes a study of a range of theories of criminality.

Year 2

Unit 3 - Crime Scene to Courtroom

A controlled assessment that tests students' ability to apply their knowledge and understanding to a crime scenario.

Unit 4 - Crime and Punishment - examination apply understanding of theories and processes of bringing the accused to court.

Possible careers:

Criminology can open the door to an array of career paths that require understanding of the criminal justice sector. These may include careers in the police force or in police support roles, the field of forensic psychology, social and probation work, or the prison

Entry requirements:

Minimum of a grade 5 in English.

Criminology (from Latin *crīmen*, "accusation"; and Greek *-λογία*, *-logia*) is the scientific study of criminal behaviour, on individual, social and natural levels, and how it can be managed, controlled, and prevented.



"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere". – Martin Luther King, Jr,